

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT
New National Stage Entry Application of
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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please add the following new Abstract of the Disclosure

The deposition of a coating on a thermoplastic container surface using low pressure plasma by excitation of a precursor gas with UHF electromagnetic waves in a circular shaped vacuum cavity receiving the container is provided. It includes dimensioning the cavity with respect to the frequency of the UHF electromagnetic waves so as to obtain a coupling mode generating several electromagnetic fields inside the cavity. In particular a TM 120 coupling mode is provided which generates two central fields (4_A , 4_B) inside the cavity, whereby two containers can be simultaneously treated in said cavity.